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REMARKS [REDACTED]

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1. On 14 November 1950, the Reil Kaserne in Halle (M 52/D 92) quartered an MVD unit of about 400 men wearing red-bordered green epaulets. A headquarters was apparently located on the second and third floor of the northern section of the main building. Trucks [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] passenger car [REDACTED] and another passenger car [REDACTED] were observed at the installation. *

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2. On 23 November, the billeting area of the Luftnachrichten Schule and the Fliegerhorst Kaserne was occupied by units totaling more than 2,000 troops. Troops observed in the Luftnachrichten Schule wore artillery insignia and black epaulets. Most of the troops observed in the Fliegerhorst Kaserne wore tank insignia and some wore black-bordered red epaulets. Recruits, 18 or 19 years old, were seen throughout the billeting area. They had apparently replaced the older personnel previously stationed there. Three canvas-covered JS tanks were parked beside one barracks building. Twenty-five railroad cars with lignite and firewood and one railroad car with coke were unloaded on the spur track of the billeting area. The fuel was transferred to trucks [REDACTED]

Twenty empty rail-
road cars were pushed out of the billeting area toward Nietleben. Trucks [REDACTED] arrived with briquettes from the [REDACTED] 50X1-HUM
direction of Halle. Drivers were trained on trucks [REDACTED] 50X1-HUM
[REDACTED] in the area of the airfield. Passenger [REDACTED] 50X1-HUM
car [REDACTED] with a high-ranking officer, passenger [REDACTED]
ambulances [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]
trucks were identified in the billeting area:

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3. On 23 November, the Flak Kaserne, Halle-Woermlitz, quartered not less than 2,000 troops. Most of the officers observed there wore tank insignia and only a few wore artillery insignia. The majority of the enlisted personnel were recruits, 18 or 19 years old. Truck [REDACTED] was parked at a detached building in the eastern [REDACTED]

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section of the billeting area. Basic drill of recruits was observed. Training in firing and combat drill were conducted in the training area south of the Saale River. AA guns of about 75 mm were still emplaced about 100 meters southeast of the southern tip of the billeting area. The crest of the mounds of earth around the guns was level with the gun shields. The individual emplacements were connected by communication trenches. About 30 soldiers were accommodated in the nearby crew shelters. Sedan, bus and trucks were identified at the Flak Kaserne:

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* Comment.

the MVD unit stationed in the Reil Kaserne has been there for months.

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Comment. The number of troops in the installation has not changed

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